

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	KOSTAR et al.	:	Confirmation No.	2241
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Application No.:	10/784,751	:	Group Art Unit:	1771
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Filed:	February 23, 2004	:	Examiner:	Matthew D. Matzek
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For:	THERMO-MECHANICAL PROPERTY ENHANCEMENT PLIES FOR CVI/SiC CERAMIC MATRIX COMPOSITE LAMINATES			

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please consider the following Preliminary Amendment for the above-referenced Application.

A) INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed contemporaneously with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Application.

The **Amendments to the Specification** section begins on page 2 of this Response.

The **Amendments to the Claims** section begins on page 3 of this Response and any amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims included therein.

The **Amendments to the Drawings** section begins on page 7 of this Response.

The **Remarks/Arguments** section begins on page 8 of this Response.